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# Innisfil heritage home turns 150



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Majestic trees surround Chimney Copse, a brick home built 150 years ago on the 3rd Line of Innisfil. Current owners David and Candy Steele held a garden party to celebrate the anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 28. See story on Page 2.









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# **Celebrating Rogerson House**

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Innisfil's first heritage-designated home celebrated a sesquicentennial birthday party recently.

David and Candy Steele are the current owners of 'Chimney Copse': a beautiful brick home on the 3rd Line of Innisfil that was the first private home in the municipality to receive heritage designation in

The Steeles invited special guests to the property on Sunday, Sept. 28 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the home, also known as the 'Rogerson House'.

The farmhouse was built in 1864 for Justice of the Peace and local farmer, Frank Rogerson. The style is Georgian vernacular, with a regency entrance and flemish bond brickwork using bricks made from local clay.

"Pure class," said town crier Steve Travers, invited to help 'cry' the occasion.

Members of local historical societies, friends, family members and representatives of local government were invited to attend the event, which also saw the unveiling of a new sign identifying the home as The Rogerson House.

David Steele acknowledged that it is "by no means the oldest in Inn-



With newspapers full of the recent discovery of one of Franklin's ships, The Erebus or The Terror, on the floor of the Arctic Ocean, Steele noted that the home was built a full 16 years after the disappearance of Franklin's expedi-

Bill Kell, historian and current owner of the surrounding lands, provided more historical background. The patriarch of the family, James Rogerson, came to Canada from Dumfries, Scotland in 1832 to take up a grant of land on the 3rd line, Kell said. The elder Rogerson had to clear his fields, stable his animals and build a cabin before he was joined, the next year, by his wife and five young children.

One of those children was Francis (Frank), who purchased the land next door in 1850 and in 1964, built the home for his wife Agnes, and their children. Kell brought along the original deed of sale, from one Thomas Dunn, an Irish settler, to Francis Rogerson, signed by surveyor George Lount.

Chimney Copse has been owned by the Steeles for the past 33 years.

'We've done our best to maintain it," said David, expressing some disappointment that despite all the focus on heritage preservation, Innisfil still has only four designated properties.



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TOP: Candy Steele hangs a new sign at her 3rd Line of Innisfil home that was built by Frank Rogerson in 1864. ABOVE: Historian Bill Kell shows original documents during the 150th anniversary celebration on Sunday, Sept. 28. RIGHT: Chimney Copse owners David and Candy Steele celebrate their home's 150th anniversary with granddaughter Teagan.



# Pooches get their own park

MIRIAM KING Innisfil Examiner

It might be the only ribbon cutting that was greeted by more barking than applause.

Innisfil's new Leash-free Dog Park, located in Centennial Park on the 7th Line near 10 Sideroad, was officially opened on Sunday by politicians and members of the leash-free dog park committee.

But not before dozens of dogs and their owners tested out the new fenced facility, which offers dogs approximately four acres in which to run, with terrain that ranges from open field to muddy swamp.

"It's your park. Now we'll open it officially," Deputy Mayor Dan Davidson told the gathered crowd of people and pooches.

After the ribbon-cutting, there was cake for the human contingent, and special dog-friendly cupcakes for their canine companions made with pumpkin (no sugar) and topped with a doggie biscuit.

Rules for the dog park are posted near the entrance, and there is a doggie bag dispenser inside the fenced area. Dog owners are asked to clean up after their pets.

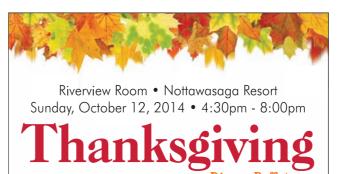
The park cost an estimated \$25,000 to construct. Innisfil council set aside \$15,000 in its budget for the leash-free facility. The other \$10,000 was raised through sponsorship and fundraising by the Leash-Free Dog Park Committee.



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ABOVE: Innisfil Deputy Mayor Dan Davidson helps Linda lanchelievici cut the ribbon to officially open Innisfil's first Leash-Free Dog Park in Centennial Park on Sunday. BELOW: There were more dogs than you could shake a stick at during the grand opening of Innisfil's Leash-Free Dog Park at Centennial Park on Sunday.





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# What is Bridge Financing?

If you are selling your current home and purchasing another home to replace it, bridge financing is something you might want to consider. Most people who are selling in order to buy an upgraded home, try to get both deals closed on the same day. This is often problematic, as funds from the sale are needed to put towards the purchase. What sometimes ends up happening is that the sale closes late in the evening, or actually does not close that day, and so the purchase, as a consequence of the delayed sale closing, does not get closed. That leaves the person homeless for the night, or worse, in breach under the purchase agreement.

A good alternative therefore is having the purchase close days or weeks before the sale, and taking a bridge loan. This enables the person to stagger the purchase and the sale, in order to ensure that one is not immediately dependent on the other. Bridge financing is therefore a very useful tool made available to borrowers when the closing date of the home they purchase is before the closing date of the home they are selling. A bridge loan allows the buyer to use equity from the current home as a down payment on the new home, with the expectation that the current home will close within a short time frame and the bridge loan will be repaid.

## **How a Bridge Loan Works**

The bridge loan is secured to the buyer's existing home (the one they are selling) and the funds from the sale of the home are used to pay off the bridge loan. Practically the bridge loan given by the lender will be limited to the amount of equity the person has in the home. The loan is usually given by the lender who will be financing the mortgage for the new home, although, private lenders also offer bridge loans. The loan is typically restricted to 90 days, and will not be given unless there is a firm sale agreement, which includes a firm closing date.

## **Interest on Bridge Loans**

The interest rate on a bridge loan varies from the current interest rate on open or variable mortgages, to the interest rate on a personal line of credit, to the rate of the mortgage you are currently acquiring. Since the time the bridge loan is held is so short, whatever the interest rate, it will be almost inconsequential to the flexibility and peace of mind a bridge loan offers. Consequently, bridge loans are becoming more popular, as persons much prefer the convenience of having a week or 2 to move from one home to the other.

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opinion

# Let's ensure Ebola is contained

A t first glance it seems like kicking a guy while he's down. Liberia has announced they plan to prosecute Ebola patient Thomas Eric Duncan for lying about his health status. But it's the right thing to do.

Duncan is currently hospitalized in Dallas, where he flew from Liberia on Sept. 20. During a screening process, he said that he hadn't tended to anyone with Ebola or touched a dead body in an area affected by the disease.

It appears that may be incorrect.

Screening for communicable diseases on flights isn't an exact science. It can take up to three weeks for Ebola symptoms to present.

As the Duncan case illustrates, the screening process is based on the honour system.

We're glad to see Liberia takes these travel issues seriously.

So far Canadian officials have placed an "avoid nonessential travel" advisory on Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. Concern for the health of our children, seniors and others with fragile health demands continued vigilance of those whose trips began in those affected regions.

Canada generally doesn't receive direct flights from West Africa. But there are a number of ways someone from the region can travel here via the United States or Europe.

So if someone like Duncan can make it to Dallas, someone else infected with Ebola can touch down in Toronto.

A Toronto hospital has already isolated someone with a fever who recently travelled to West Africa.

Fortunately, the disease is hard to contract, and it isn't even in the top 20 causes of death in Africa.

But the whole reason Ebola is flaring up in West Africa is because their countries lack the same public health rigour as we have over here.

We have spent significant time and resources over the decades to strengthen our public health systems so outbreaks like this don't happen.

While it makes sense to better insulate ourselves from those countries with less advanced health standards, let's keep the Ebola risk in perspective.

Let us also continue to do our part to help bolster public health systems in West Africa. They need basic, inexpensive but vitally important materials – such as masks, gloves, chlorine – to combat the spread of this disease.

Letters

# **Dunlop's comments unfair**

(Re: 'Reaction mixed to Brown's PC bid' in the Sept. 30 edition of the Examiner)

I am totally astonished and disheartened at the comments made by Simcoe North MPP Garfield Dunlop regarding Barrie MP Patrick Brown's announcement to run for the leadership of the provincial Conservatives.

Is Mr. Dunlop afraid that Mr. Brown stands a good chance of winning the party leadership, and is now trying to trash Patrick so badly that he would stoop to the type of comments he made.

If Mr. Dunlop feels so negative about Patrick Brown, why does he not throw his hat into the ring?

The comments made by Simcoe North MP Bruce Stanton were done in a gentleman fashion, not the ill-spirited method of Mr. Dunlop.

What will Mr. Dunlop do if Mr. Brown is elected leader? Quit, as has been

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rumoured for some time?

Brown has been trusted, by Prime Minister Stephen Harper, to represent the PM and the Canadian government around the globe.

He is dedicated to his riding in Barrie and regardless of what Dunlop said, he has been an enthusiastic federal government member.

I would suggest to Mr. Dunlop the federal government is just as important and complicated as his provincial government.

It is obvious to most provincial Con-

servatives the present group of Conservative legislators are not able to become the government.

The good old boys of the Ontario Tories have lost enough elections; they are now an embarrassment.

It would appear whoever was coaching former PC leader Tim Hudak had no idea where this province should be heading. More of the old guard, I would assume?

It is truly time for fresh, energetic leadership which can inspire the younger Conservative members to get out and vote and assist in turning this province into the thriving job market and a great place to raise a family, like it once was.

This must happen before the Liberals bankrupt us. I believe Patrick Brown can make that happen.

Bernie Hunt Innisfil

# Barrie Transit a rough ride

I moved to Barrie a year ago and was looking forward to getting acquainted with the transit system in Barrie.

I am 70 years old and don't have a car. I did not start using the buses until May of this year because I was intimidated by the schedules, as well as the amount of snow that we had last winter.

I was just starting to know a couple of routes when the system was changed late July. I must say the drivers were so friendly and helpful that each venture out was made pleasant by them.

Now I am facing a dilemma.

I have to go to the Simcoe Cardiac Centre for some tests.

Unfortunately there are no buses that

travel down Bryne Street where this centre is located.

Apparently I will have to travel from Ardagh, down Veterans Drive, then all the way down Commerce Park Drive, to the only bus stop at the end of that street. It is past the cinema.

I then will have to walk back towards Bryne, and partway up that street to where the Cardiac Centre is located.

I thank God that I am going now and not in the middle of winter, when I would have to battle the snow as well as the distance to go for the tests.

In August I had to go for a bone density test up off of Cundles Road. To get there from the corner of Ferndale Drive

and Ardagh Road was a two-hour bus ride, each way.

This is a 15-minute drive by car.

I know because my daughter stayed home from work that day to save me from the ordeal of using the bus.

Where I come from I was out and about four to five days a week; the bus service was that great.

Now I am mostly house-bound mainly, because of the very poor service

It makes me very sad.

Marie Wright Barrie



# County wants your used single-use batteries

IAN MCINROY Innisfil Examiner

Used single-use batteries for a myriad of devices in the home — remote controls, toys, smoke alarms, electronic devices and more — have one last purpose before they are discarded: being disposed of properly.

County and city officials hope area residents do the right thing when it comes to getting rid of that stockpile of used batteries hidden in drawers and accumulating on shelves.

Simcoe County is launching a new waste collection program for single-use batteries, with collection taking place the week of Nov. 3. It's intended to make it easier for residents with county garbage and recycling services to do the environmentally responsible thing when disposing of type AAA, AA, C, D, 9 volt and button batteries, commonly used for hearing aids and watches.

Rechargeable batteries, cell phone and laptop batteries, car, industrial and battery packs are not accepted in the program, but may be taken to any County of Simcoe household hazardous waste facility for safe, free disposal.

Officials want to keep the hazardous materials in batteries out of landfills, said Rob McCullough, the county's director of solid waste management.

"Batteries have a high quantity of heavy metals in them which are harmful to the environment. Those metals are not greatly mobile, as they bind well with carbon sources of which there are significant quantities in a landfill," he said. "Removing the source of the potentially negative impacts of batteries is the most preferable and efficient method and we are hopeful that residents will use our battery collection program."

County residents — excluding those in Barrie and Orillia — will be getting a battery bag in the mail over the next week or so and can set the sealed bag out for collection beside their recycling box on their regular waste collection day between Nov. 3 and 7. Additional quantities of batteries can be set out in a zip lock type bag if residents have more accumulated batteries than fit in the bag provided.

McCullough said a number of other municipalities, including Durham Region, have implemented a curbside program and have received a good response from the public.

"We believe the additional convenience of the curbside collection will significantly enhance our battery capture rates," he said. "Additionally, we have purposely timed our curbside battery collection program to co-ordinate with the messaging many fire departments are putting out with the coming time change for swapping out the batteries in home smoke alarms."

Erich Jacoby-Hawkins, who sits on the board of Living Green Barrie, said changes legislated by governments could do more to ensure the recycling of batteries, and keeping them out of landfills.

"Deposit and return, just like we use for wine and liquor bottles," he said. "It's incredibly effective for beer bottles and cans. They have a vastly higher rate of being recycled than pop cans and bottles, even though they're the same material and same recycling process."

He suggested the easiest way to recycle batteries would be at point of purchase.

"If your battery is worn out and you need a new one, when you go to buy the new one you take the old one with you. We could include something in the system that covers their cost for it," Jacoby-Hawkins said. "If you're going to be making a profit selling batteries, then you should accept that part of that business model is that you have to pay a deposit when people bring them back in."

Some stores are doing their part and already have battery drop-off bins, he added.

"Unless you're actually going to one of the stores that has a bin, it can be a little inconvenient because the city only takes hazardous waste on Saturdays," he said.

Jacoby-Hawkins also suggested mandatory labelling on batteries that suggests proper disposal, besides the small print stating not to throw them in the fire.

The county's battery collection program receives some funding through Stewardship Ontario's Orange Drop program (www.makethedrop.ca). Processing of batteries collected by the county will be provided by Raw Materials Company. It separates the various components of the batteries, with approximately 90% of the battery components being recycled.

Barrie and county residents can bring unwanted rechargeable and single-use batteries to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot, 272 Ferndale Drive North, on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The service is free. For more information about the county's single-use battery collection week, contact customer service at 705-735-6901 or visit simcoe.ca.



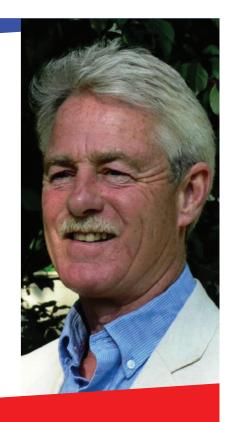
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# Entrepreneurs get a boost at Georgian College

IAN MCINROY Innisfil Examiner

Entrepreneurs of the future attending Georgian College will be getting an opportunity kick start their start-ups.

Georgian College and the Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation have announced a wide-ranging series of programs and activities designed to encourage and support student and youth entrepreneurship across central Ontario.

The announcement was made at a gathering of entrepreneurs at Georgian's Barrie campus on Tuesday.

Funding of \$200,000 is being provided by the On Campus Entrepreneurship Activities program, through the Ontario Centres of Excellence. This amount will be matched by Georgian College. The program will be co-ordinated through Georgian's Henry Bernick Entrepreneurship Centre.

The centre's executive director, John Pickard, said growing an entrepreneurial culture at the college is vital.

"At Georgian, we accelerate our students' success, learning, careers and futures. Today is a launch pad for all of these things aimed squarely at fuelling numerous entrepreneurial initiatives across the college and communities we serve," he told the crowd.

The entrepreneurship centre will support entrepreneurs every step of the way, from starting a business, to growing a business and watching it flourish, he added.

"They are following something they are passionate about and turning that from an idea or hobby to a



IAN MCINROY Innisfil Examiner

The future careers of budding entrepreneurs attending Georgian College got a boost on Tuesday with the announcement of \$200,000 in funding from the Ontario government to help create a network of services for young entrepreneurs. On hand for the announcement were, from left, college president and CEO MaryLynn West-Moynes, Barrie MPP Ann Hoggarth and Daiene Vernile, MPP and parliamentary assistant to Reza Moridi, Ontario Minister of Research and Innovation. Recent grads Nathan Ayrheart, right, and Andrew Burke have created a thriving business after working with the college.

business," he said of the students taking part in the program. "What we're offering them is to speed their mission along, to help them avoid pitfalls and steer them around obstacles.

"The plan is to get them there faster with less pain."

Pickard spoke of recent grads Nathan Ayrheart and Andrew Burke, the first student clients of the Henry Bernick Entrepreneurship Centre, who came seeking advice.

"They had no business plan and no money, but loads of energy and an entrepreneurial mindset," he said. "Since then, the two have morphed their detailing business from a one-off service to a multi-customer juggernaut in the Barrie service industry."

Ayrheart said the entrepreneurship centre put them on the right track, narrowed down what they needed and helped them get to where they want to be: a thriving business.

"If it wasn't for the sound advice we received during the early stages, we would probably be on a different path right now," he said.

Georgian College CEO and president MaryLynn West-Moynes said the program is extremely important to the college and the communities it serves.

"This forms part of our ongoing commitment to accelerating the success of students and youth on our campuses and in our communities," she said.

Over the next two years, Georgian College will focus on six key areas to engage students and young people, foster a culture of entrepre-

neurship, and support innovation and new business development.

- A program will encourage youth through the process of creating a business idea and developing a business plan.
- An accompanying tool kit will support the process and allow virtual collaboration among youth entrepreneurs across central Ontario and the world.
- Seminars, discussions, mentorship and idea exchanges will be offered over Georgian's videoconferencing network that connects campuses in Barrie, Collingwood, Midland, Muskoka, Orangeville, Orillia and Owen Sound.
- Georgian will encourage community businesses to invest in the creation of new entrepreneurship hubs and changemaker spaces where many of the new activities and programs will be held and where students and youth will work together and be mentored.
- Entrepreneurship boot camps and startup weekends will be held on campuses in Collingwood, Owen Sound, Midland and Orillia over the next two years.
- Annual innovation showcases will allow students in numerous academic areas to feature their products to the public.

# Thanksgiving Holiday



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## **CAR FELL ON VICTIM**

BRADFORD – A man died Tuesday when he was working on his car and it fell on him, trapping him underneath.

South Simcoe police, Simcoe County paramedics and Bradford firefighters were called to the scene at 8:30 p.m.

Police said the man was home alone at the time and was not discovered until some time after the incident occurred.

Firefighters were able to extricate the man, but he was pronounced dead at the scene.

There will be a coroner's investigation, police said, but the man's name will not be released.

## **INNISFIL MAN FACING CHARGES**

An Innisfil man who stomped on the hood of his ex-girlfriend's car in south-Barrie early Sunday morning faces four criminal charges.

Barrie police were called to a gas station at about 3:30 a.m.

Officers determined a 27-year-old man had called his former girlfriend on numerous occasions for a ride when he had been drinking. She finally agreed to pick him up.

But police said the man immediately started an argument about relationship issues, and she pulled the car into a gas station – hoping for help from the attendant.

tion – hoping for help from the attendant.
The man got out of the car, went around to the driver's side and began pulling on the woman's arm, police said, and then threatened to punch her in the face.

She resisted and he jumped on the car's hood and began stomping, police said.

She ran from the car and had the gas bar attendant call 911.

The man fled the area, but was later arrested at his mother's home. He was held for a bail hearing.

Police determined he was bound by a probation order not to communicate with the woman, due to a previous assault.

He is charged with assault, threatening, mischief under \$5,000 and breach of probation.



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# Thinking safety with Innisfil Fire & Rescue

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Innisfil Fire & Rescue celebrated Fire Prevention Week with a Meet & Greet at the South Innisfil Community Centre (Lefroy Arena) on Oct 4.

Station 2 firefighters and equipment, as well as the Innisfil Fire Safety House, and Sparky the Fire Dog were on hand to talk with both children and adults about the importance of Fire Prevention.

October 5 to 11 is Fire Prevention Week in Ontario, and the Innisfil service had plans to visit local schools and host educational events during the week-long promotion. This year's theme focuses on the importance of having a working smoke detector on every level of the home and in all sleeping areas - not only a smart idea, but also the law in Ontario. Firefighters were also reminding residents to make sure smoke detectors are in working condition, by replacing the batteries at least once per year.

For more information, see w w w . n f p a . o r g / s a f e t y - information/fire-prevention-week





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ABOVE LEFT: Firefighters with Innisfil Fire & Rescue, and Sparky the Fire Dog, were at the Lefroy Arena for the Fire Prevention Week Meet & Greet on Saturday. ABOVE RIGHT: Sparky the Fire Dog takes a selfie.



# **■**localbriefs

# MAN INJURED ON THE JOB

INNISFIL – A man broke his foot when his boot was caught in a machine used to build trusses Tuesday.

South Simcoe police were called to Tarpin Lumber on Bowman Street near Innisfil Beach Road and Highway 400 at about 9:20 p.m.

The area was shut down after the incident, and an investigator from Ontario's Labour Ministry was on-scene.

The 24-year-old worker, from Innisfil, was taken to hospital by ambulance and is expected to make a fill recovery, police said.

# **HOUSEBOAT RUNS AGROUND**

INNISFIL – A houseboat struggling with choppy waves and taking on water ran aground here Monday morning.

South Simcoe police received a call at about 11 a.m. concerning a 53-foot vessel in distress

The marine unit responded in the Wardrop II, and found the houseboat aground off Cedarvale Avenue.

Its two occupants were unharmed and thankkfully prepared.

Police say life jackets and a cellphone prevented more serious consequences.





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# Six-storey wood frame buildings get nod

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Changes to the Ontario Building Code approved by the province this week may bode well for more affordable housing in Simcoe County.

The changes will allow wood-frame buildings to be constructed up to six storeys high, raising the limit from four storeys, and will require new safety requirements for the structures. Those include constructing stairwells with non-combustible materials and roofs with combustion-resistant materials, making Ontario's regulations some of the most rigorous in Canada.

Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Ted McMeekin said the "made-in-Ontario model" for mid-rise wood construction provides "the highest requirements for fire safety in Canada."

The building code changes will come into effect on Jan. 1, 2015, and will bring the province to similar standards already set in British Columbia (the province made a similar change to its building code in 2009) as well as in several jurisdictions in the U.S. and the European Union.

"The changes provide Ontario's architects and builders new options to create affordable and attractive pedestrian-oriented buildings that enhance streetscapes," said Paul Bedford, professor of urban planning at the University of Toronto, who is also a former chief planner for the City of Toronto.

"This recognizes the fact that there is a need and we're thrilled with it," said James Bazely, of Gregor Homes in Barrie and former president of the Ontario Home Builders' Association.

"Up until now the building code did not have a provision for six-storey wood frame construction. It took out the residential home builders' ability to construct them," he said. "As we have intensification and the demand and desire for multi-family units, this gives builders/developers the ability to build apartment buildings or walkup towns or whatever these six-storey buildings will end up being.

"It certainly changes the way I look at potential properties. Now I can look at a potential piece of development property and say 'I can actually get six units out of that instead of three'.

Bazely said what it gets down to is more affordable housing.

"These structures are going to be a lot less expensive to build than a steel and concrete building. So now if a developer has a piece of land that's 200-feet by 200-feet that would have housed three families, now it can house six families.

"This is a big announcement," he added.

Bazely acknowledged there was some "push-back" on the proposed changes by fire-fighter associations.

"They were claiming this would be tougher for them to deal with (in case of a fire) and poses a higher risk for them to fight a framed building that's six storeys high," he said. "We argued that with the new building techniques (including fire-rated drywall and fire walls) we use and the type of drywall, etc, that's not the issue.

"There are different techniques and products in place that are available that we now can utilize in wood-frame construction to prevent the spread of fire," said, using

Gord Allison, Barrie's director of building and bylaw services, said the recent code changes will offer developers another option for the construction of buildings that are five or six storeys in height.

"I am confident the research conducted by



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## An example of a wooden framed six-storey building.

the regulatory agencies in Ontario and Canada, along with representatives of the building industry, have determined this expanded form of construction will still provide comparable protection for the safety of the building occupants," he said. "We look forward to receiving the first permit applications for a local development that chooses to use this new opportunity for a five- or six-storey (wood-frame) structure."

# Simcoe County paramedics recognized at awards gala

Special to the Innisfil Examiner

Four Simcoe County paramedics were recognized with honours at the Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs Awards Gala held in London on September 25.

Paramedics Jeff LeClair, Stu Hunter, Kevin Morrish and Merideth Morrison were recipients of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Exemplary Service Medal.

This national honour is awarded by the Governor General in recognition of professionals in the pre-hospital EMS setting who have performed their duties in an exemplary manner with good conduct and efficiency.

Paramedics must hold at least 20 years of service and 10 years of front line, at-risk service

"As the provider of paramedic services throughout this region, the county takes great pride in the dedication and skills of our staff," said county CAO Mark Aitken.

"I'm extremely proud of this year's medal recipients for their excellent service and dedication," said Andrew Robert, director and chief of the county's paramedic services.

"I congratulate and thank Jeff, Stu, Kevin and Merideth for their years of service to the residents of Simcoe County."



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Simcoe County paramedics were honoured at an Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs event last week. From left are county paramedics director and Chief Andrew Robert, medal recipients Kevin Morrish, Stuart Hunter and Jeff LeClair, Deputy Chief Jeff McWilliam and Deputy Chief Peter Tozer. Recipient Merideth Morrison was absent.



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# OCT. 11-12

Chappell Farms hosts its annual Pumpkin Festival & Haunted Adventure throughout the month of October. Pick your own pumpkin, experience the corn maze, wagon rides, haunted barn, Magic shows, feed the animals, gift barn and more from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 617 Penetanguishene Rd. Admission is \$6 weekdays, \$11 per person (plus HST) on weekends, free for children under the age of two. The festival runs to Oct. 31. For more information, call 705-721-1547.

# **OCT. 14**

Brereton Field Naturalists: The group will meet at Northwest Barrie United Church on Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 7:30 p.m. Mike Burrell from Bird Studies Canada will describe the "Important Bird Studies" program which is a global initiative to identify, monitor and conserve the world's most important sites for birds and biodiversity. Join the Brereton Field Naturalists' to learn how we can make a difference

# **OCT. 16**

The Kempenfelt Quilters Guild meets at the Ferndale Banquet Hall, 24 Industrial Dr. in Barrie on Thursday, Oct. 16 starting at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Jennifer Houden. Come join us for Show and Share, The company of fellow quilters and refreshments. Visitors must pay \$5. For more info go to www.kgg.ca

# **OCT. 17-26**

The 17th Annual Barrie Film Festival, from Oct. 17-26, features more than 40 screenings, parties, special guest Q&As, the Annual Short Film Competition, the Directors' Brunch and new this year - An Evening of Silent Films &Live Orchestra with the Huronia Symphony Orchestra. Tickets are available at the Uptown Theatre. For more information, see www.bar riefilmfestival.c

## **OCT. 18**

Day for women: All Women Are Invited to A Day Apart sponsored by the Barrie Presbyterial WMS at Essa Road Presbyterian Church, 59 Essa Rd. in Barrie on Saturday, Oct. 18. Workshop leader will be Tori Smit, regional minister for Faith Formation, The Synod of Central Ontario and Bermuda. Gathering time 9:30 a.m. concluding Communion 2:45 - 3 p.m.. Cost including Lunch \$10. Register by calling 705-726-4869

## **OCT. 19**

The Grandmothers & GrandOthers invite you to an afternoon of music and laughter on Sunday, Oct. 19 at the Georgian Theatre in Barrie starting at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the Mady Centre for the Performing Arts box office, or call 705-728-1651. Turning the Tide II is a fundraiser for the Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign of the Stephen Lewis Foundation. Dinah Christie (CBC actress, writer, director and singer) will be hosting the concert...the line up will include Bravado, Russ Clayton (Wreck Room Elvis), The Barrie Saxophone Quartet, the Mad Cap players the Warnica School Drummers and many more.

# **OCT. 24**

St. Peter's Anglican Church in Churchill will host a spaghetti dinner on Friday, Oct. 24 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Come and enjoy a full dinner with both meat and vegetarian sauces, plus salad and garlic bread, tea, coffee and dessert. Tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$6 for kids 12 and under. Pre-schoolers eat for free. The church is located at 6254 Yonge St. Call 705-290-0255 for info. Proceeds go to the church.

## **OCT. 25**

High Tea: Trinity United Church in Thornton will host a High Tea from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25. Tickets are \$15, plus an item for the Food Bank Marketplace. The event includes a silent auction and prizes, sandwiches plus desserts. Wear a 'fascinator' for fun. The church is located at 7 Robert St. Call Sandra at 705-458-1655, or Margaret at 705-458-4414 for tickets.

# **OCT. 25**

Craft Sale, 11th Annual, Saturday October 25 2014, 9.30-2.30 Stroud Community Room above arena. Many crafters from surrounding area displaying knitting, crochet, jam etc, jewellery, woodwork, and other items for purchase. Snack bar and baking table. All proceeds go to library for special events. Hall is wheelchair accessible. Friends of the Library will be there to help you set up. For info call Silvia at 705-436-2185. Everyone welcome.

## **OCT. 26**

Third Annual Soup Contest raising money for Sleeping Children Around the World. Held at Gilford Hall, Bells Lane, Sunday October 26 11am-2pm \$5 to sample all soups including rolls, drinks and dessert. All proceeds go to

charity. Supplies provided from the Sunday School group from Gilford United Church. Entrants include Mayor Barb Baguley, Deputy Mayor Dan Davidson, Councillor Lynn Dollin, Mayoral candidate Gord Wauchope, Councillor candidates Ron Nicol, Angela Cristini, Rotary Club, Griffith and Hellings family 9 soups to date. Contact Heather Westcott for more information 705-456-6869

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# **OCT. 30 - NOV. 16**

South Simcoe Theatre presents Dirty Rotten Scoundrels. Performances will be on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and on Sundays at 2 p.m. Based on the film Dirty Rotten Scoundrels written by Dale Launer and Stanley Shapiro & Paul Henning, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels centres on two con men living on the French Riviera. A hilarious battle of cons ensues that will keep audiences laughing, humming and guessing to the end! Visit.www.southsimcoetheatre.com..

## NOV. 1

Wheelchair Learn to Curl Clinic (for all ages) Sat. Nov 1, registration from 9:30 am to 10:00 am. and will end at 3:00 pm. Stroud Curling Club - 7883 Yonge St, Innisfil, ON L9S 1K8 (705) 436-1473 Each participant will receive lunch, tea/coffee/juice, morning snacks, in class and on ice instruction, and instructional material. To Register or for more information please contact Joe and Linda Winson 705 431-7149 or by email at sevwinwelcome2014@yahoo.ca We are only able to register a maximum of 20 people for this event so get your registration in early. Stroud Curling Club is hoping to be able to offer a Wheelchair Curling League during the 2014 2015 curling season.

## **NOV. 1, 2**

The 22nd annual Innisfil Studio Tour takes place Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 1 and 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The artists on the Innisfil Arts, Culture and Heritage Council tour invite you into their homes and studios to view their most recent creations. Enjoy your day in the area, take in the fall sights, and see what makes Innifil great. Visit www.innisfilstudiotour.ca for details.

## NOV. 1

Christmas bazaar: A Christmas bazaar will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 1 at St. Peter's Anglican Church, 6254 Yonge St., in Churchill. The event will include a toonie table, silent auction, crafts, bake sale and

more. There will be something for everyone. Start your Christmas shopping early. Tickets will also be available for purchase on the Queensize quilt, 82" x 105", made by Carol Smurthwaite. \$2 each or 3 for \$5.Contact 705-456-6737 for information, or visit website at www.stpeterschurchill.org

# **NOV. 10**

The Barrie-Thornton Fiddle Club will continue its monthly dance series starting at 7 p.m. These dances are held the second Thursday of every month (September through June) at the Thornton Banquet Hall which is above the Thornton Arena. These dances provide an evening of fiddle, round dance and square dance music. Local musicians are able to entertain during the open mike portion. Others may listen and enjoy or dance and enjoy the evening's entertainment. Admission \$5 per person. Ladies provide snacks. Tea, coffee, pop available at 75 cent each.

## **NOV. 15**

Oldie Goldie Revue: Hits of the '60s will take place at the Stroud Community Centre on Saturday, Nov. 15, from 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Flower Power will feature the songs of Petula Clark, The Shirelles, Dusty Springfield, The Crystals, Bee Gees, Elvis, Gerry and the Pacemakers, and more, performed live by local talent. Bar opens at 7:30 p.m., Show starts at 8:15 p.m. All proceeds to St. Peter's Anglican Church, in Churchill. For tickets, contact Deb at 705-456-2202 or Linda at 705-436-9769.

## **MEET THE CANDIDATES**

The Greater Innisfil Chamber of Commerce is holding an all-candidates debate on Monday, Oct. 20 at Nantyr Shores Secondary School, 1146 Anna Maria Ave, Alcona, from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

## **TOWN OF INNISFIL CANDIDATES**

Mayor: Barb Baguley (incumbent), Dean Bracko, Derek Majewski, Gord Wauchope

Deputy mayor: Dan Davidson (incumbent), Lynn Dollin, Darren Durham

Ward 1: Doug Lougheed (incumbent), Mariusz Karczewski

Ward 2: Richard Simpson (acclaimed)

Ward 3: Ken Simpson (incumbent), Donna

Ward 4: Stan Daurio Christian Pitcher

Ward 5: Bill Loughead (incumbent), Rose D'Angelo, Trevor Jones

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Ward 7: Mike Brown, Angela Cristini, Debra Harrison, Rob Nicol







# An important, timeless question

ver 100 years ago DD Palmer, DC asked an important question that sparked a new profession – the Chiropractic profession.

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How resistant are you to all of these toxins in the environment?

How capable is your body of resisting the stress from the negative forces all around us? What is the answer to DD Palmer's question?

Without a doubt, one important part of the answer is that your body must be able to adapt in a healthy way to your surroundings. Your body's nervous system is what controls and coordinates every function and adapts you to your environment.

Healthy nerve supply is essential for a healthy life. Your brain consists of 100 billion neurons and sends messages at 325 mph over 45 miles of nerves within your body. This highly sophisticated and coordinated network is the Information Technology (IT) super highway that must be functioning properly for your body to appropriately adapt to your environment.

Cut off this system completely and your cells, tissues and organ systems will die. Interfere with this system and your body cannot function the way that it is supposed to. Your internal adaptation mechanisms become weak.

Vertebral subluxation is a condition that happens in the spine and nervous system when it is injured from the birth process, childhood falls, accidents, or stress of any kind. Because your natural IT system can be affected by this condition, it can result in immediate symptoms or it can lie dormant and asymptomatic for decades leading to many types of health problems in the future. If you truly want to strengthen your body's ability to adapt, you must make the correction and elimination of this condition a prior-



ity - before it leads to problems.

Certainly, healthy non-toxic food is an important and healthy choice. Exercise to keep your body fit and strong will build your confidence, increase your resistance, and help prevent health problems.

However, without a healthy spine and nervous system, the food and the fitness cannot be assimilated properly.

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Submitted by Dr. Mark Kohut, B.HK, D.C.

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# Walking dead for a cause

The dead came to life Saturday in downtown Barrie. The 6th annual Zombie Walk and Halloween Festival brought out all ages and helped out the Barrie Food Bank at the same time. The event several contests.

# Zach MacPherson Photos







# Mini putt trial closing arguments for Innisfil man

TRACY MCLAUGHLIN
Special to the Innisfil Examiner

The evidence in jury trial that is delving into the death of Collingwood man who was stabbed in the neck with a broken golf putter has now completed.

Bradley Hubbard, 42, of Collingwood, died while playing golf with his common-law wife and two children at the Putting Edge glow-in-the-dark golf course in Barrie on Aug. 13, 2011.

On trial for second-degree murder is Matthew Spring, who was 18 years old at the time. Spring has pleaded not guilty. His lawyer, Angela McLeod, argues it was a case of self-defence.

The jury has heard that Spring and his brother and another teen, both 19, were being loud and obnoxious when the altercation broke out between them and Hubbard.

Spring testified he was afraid for his brother's life when he saw Hubbard, described as a massive man at 312 pounds, grasped his brother by the neck and began choking him.

Spring said he whacked Hubbard on the legs and his putter broke, and when that didn't stop him he held the broken end to Hubbard's neck.

Spring said he didn't mean to stab Hubbard, but somehow in the flailing about, the shaft went into his neck.

The shaft penetrated four centimetres deep and nicked Hubbard's jugular vein and carotid artery. He died within minutes.

Now that the evidence has concluded, the jury was sent home while legal discussions are held for the rest of the week.

Closing arguments were begin Tuesday and the jury is expected to begin deliberation that evening.

# Pre-Snow Show for Back Alley Cruisers



MIRIAM KING Innisfil Examiner

CA Mercury Turnpike Cruiser was a standout at the Back Alley Cruisers Car Club's Pre Snow Show held Sunday at the Georgian Bay Steam Show grounds in Cookstown.

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The Back Alley Cruisers Car Club held their annual Pre-Snow Show at the Georgian Bay Steam Show grounds in Cookstown on Sunday and although it didn't snow, it did get pretty darned cold.

Classic cars, cruisers, sports cars, low-riders and muscle cars rolled in and parked on the grassy fields to participate in the end-of-season show, and raise funds and food for Bradford's Helping Hand Food Bank, just in time for Thanksgiving. In addition to the car show, there were games, draws, a barbecue, bake sale and plenty of home-made trophies to be awarded.

There was a little excitement later in the afternoon, when about 100 vehicles crashed the party.

The caravan of cars started at the Colossus Theatre on Hwy. 7 in Vaughan in the morning and with no planned finishing point, the Back Alley Cruisers' show was the perfect place to make a stop.

# Sun Media English-language papers poised for sale

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TORONTO — The \$316-million purchase of Sun Media's English-language papers will create the country's largest digital and news organization, Postmedia president and CEO Paul Godfrey says.

Postmedia is positioning itself to compete with digital behemoths to provide homegrown content on multiple platforms — print, web, tablet and smartphone, he said.

Godfrey, the former president and CEO of Sun Media, pointed out that many senior Postmedia executives have links back to the chain.

"In some ways, today is a family reunion," Godfrey said Monday.

Rod Phillips, chairman of the Postmedia board of directors, said the agreement was reached late Sunday and must still get the green light from regulators, including the Competition Bureau

"But today is a very exciting day — today's a great day for made-in-Canada journalism," Phillips said.

"And in our view it's the best way forward for an industry that for the past decade has faced significant competitive challenges from digital giants like Google and Facebook."

Postmedia has no plans to close down newspapers, even in the markets where it already has a competing product, Godfrey said

While there are no job guarantees, there are no immediate plans to conduct layoffs and, in some cases, Postmedia has identified places where the staff may need to be beefed up, he said

"We intend to keep Sun Media's large daily newspapers in those markets where we overlap. Their readers and their advertisers in many cases are different from those of Postmedia," he said.

Glenn Garnett, vice-president of editorial for Sun Media Corporation, said the involvement of so many former Sun leaders, now senior Postmedia executives, will ease the transition.

"I think this is the best outcome we could have hoped for," Garnett said. "In this media landscape, critical mass matters and this deal is as big as it gets.

"In Paul, Wayne (Parrish) and Lou (Clancy), Postmedia has senior executives who understand the Sun brand and, more importantly, are forward thinking and innovative in developing digital. My managers are pumped and looking forward to it"

Postmedia has acquired 175 English-language publications and their associated digital properties, including Canoe, The Toronto Sun, The Ottawa Sun, The Winnipeg Sun, The Edmonton Sun, The Calgary Sun, the London Free Press and 24 Hours in Toronto and Vancouver.

The Barrie Examiner, Innisfil Examiner, Bradford Times, Orillia Packet and Times, Collingwood Enterprise Bulletin, Owen Sound Sun-Times, Sudbury Sun, North Bay Nugget and the Sault Star are also part of the deal.

Sun News Network was never part of the acquisition discussions and remains with Quebecor Media, Godfrey said.

"We will own the Sun brand as it pertains to newspapers including the logo," Godfrey said.

Sun Media will continue to operate independently with its own newsrooms and opinions, he said.

Although advertising revenue has been on the decline, newspapers remain a premier source of reliable journalism and this deal gives both Postmedia and Sun Media "more runway" as the industry evolves, he said.

Many people are still happiest receiving their information on printed paper but increasingly, young people want their news in a digital format on the device of their choice, he said.

"If you don't march towards that future, you're going to disappear," Godfrey said.



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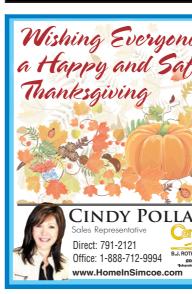


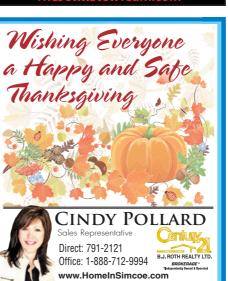


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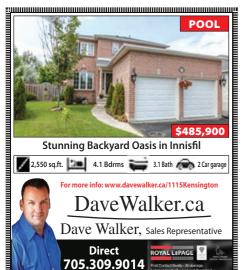








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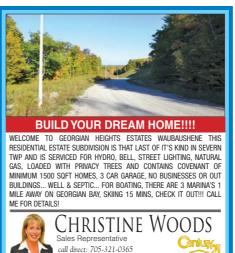




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210 ASHFORD: Rare 0.43 Acre in town lot!. Close proximity to go train, park, schools & shopping. Massive private yard with multiple walk-outs, large deck perfect for entertaining or relaxing (hot tub incld). Bsmnt is bright & beautifully finished with in-law (2 bdrms). Eat-in kitchen with slate flooring & pantry. Loads of updates including windows, furnace of (2006).crown mldng. garage doors, fresh paint & more! Shows 10++, **\$434.900** 



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14 MUIR: Pristine 2 storey! This 2,196 sq. ft. home is finished top to bottom Enjoy a beautiful main floor w/ hdwd & ceramics. Spacious family rm w/ gas fp & stone wall, eat-in kitchen w/ walk out to lg deck & beautiful views, separate dining room & liv rm, powder room & main floor laundry w/ walk out to grg & loft for storage. 4 Lg bedrooms w/ hdwds. Mstr w/ ensuite & walk in





home features a 3 bdrm 2nd floor apt with huge mbdrm w/ walk in closet. Basement features a lg one bdrm apt with play area. This home has amazing views of the city from the 2nd floor apartment & 3rd level deck. Lndry on main & bsmnt. Steel roof oversize single car garage unistone driveway. Come take a look. \$280,000



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large kitchen and family room. Newer: siding, windows & shingles. Screened porch out back + cute cabin with hydro (or shed). Trees, gardens & set back nicely from the street for





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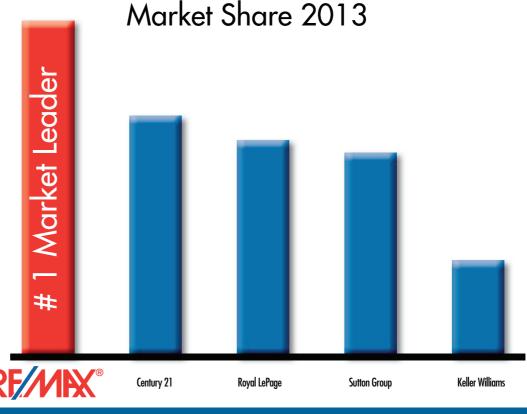


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Here are Sordi's recommendations for efficient snow removal:

• Fill it up: Ensure that you drain any remaining fuel from the previous season and fill up your machine with fresh gasoline.

- Change your oil: Just like in your car, the oil in your winter tools needs changing. Change the oil in your machine to ensure an easy and smooth start in the cold weather
- Test the spark plugs: Starting your power tools will be easier if your spark plugs are in good condition. When in doubt, replace them. A new spark plug will better ignite the fuel mixture, making it easier to start.
- Check the blades: Before each season, check the blades of your snow thrower for wear and tear. The blades may have worn down if you have had your machine for a long time, in which case you can have them replaced at a dealer that specializes in these power

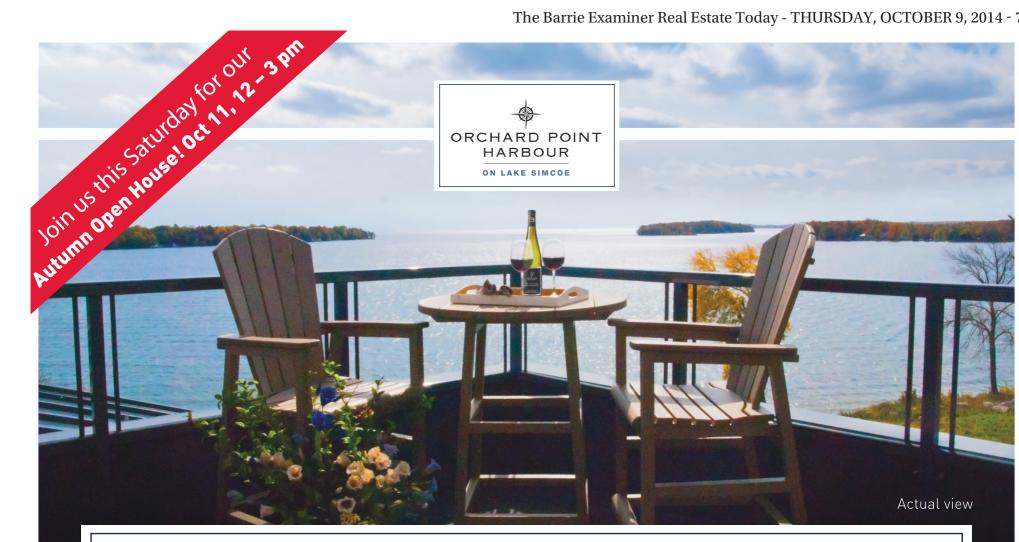
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- Check the tires: Flat tires will not get the job done. Check the tires and pump them up if necessary.
- Get it started: After you have checked all of its parts, give your machine a start before the snow hits to make sure everything is running smoothly. This way you can take it to a dealer and get it serviced beforehand, ensuring that everything is running smoothly come that first snowfall.

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# Tips for decorating and maintaining a home with improved indoor air quality

(NC) Health Canada estimates sustainable forestry. Reclaimed cause odors. that Canadians spend approximately 90 percent of their time indoors. It has also been estimated that indoor air can be five times more polluted than outdoor air due to indoor air pollutants, including dust mites and the off-gassing of chemicals in our furnishings into vapors called volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

Indoor air quality is an important consideration in any home environment. Sally Morse, director of creative services at Hunter Douglas, a leading name in Canadian window treatments, offers tips on maintaining a home with your family's health and well-being in mind.

# 1. From the Ground Up

When it comes to flooring, a few products that can release VOCs include vinyl flooring and wall-towall carpeting. Interior designer Robin Wilson, in her book, Kennedy Green House, recommends hardwood with a Forest Stewardship Council certification to ensure wood flooring is another option (bamboo; cork; linoleum; concrete; stone or tile).

If you can't install new flooring, ensure your cleaning products are non-toxic. Standard cleaners often have artificial scents that can overpower a room with a chemical

# 2. Quality at the Window

For your windows, look for products with GREENGUARD GOLD certification, such as the majority of Hunter Douglas window fashions. This means the window treatments have undergone rigorous testing and certification from UL Environment to verify they meet stringent standards for low chemical emissions into indoor air.

Hunter Douglas has a new Venue honeycomb fabric with MicroShield, an antimicrobial fabric protection. The only cellular fabric in the industry to include this kind of protection, the fabric resists the growth of bacteria, mold and mildew that can

# 3. The Rooms that Count

Research shows that toxins released from chemicals in the bedroom (stem from linens, textiles, carpeting, furniture and conventional mattresses) are actually one of the most significant sources of daily exposure to pollution.

Look for low-VOC, low-formaldehyde or organic options if possible. Wilson recommends exploring ecofoam or non-toxic mattresses along with organic, pesticide-free cotton, silk, fleece or bamboo sheets. Hypoallergenic covers for pillows and mattresses are always important.

With these tips, decorating and maintaining your home with an eye towards optimal indoor air quality should be easier.

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# Top 5 Picks for a greener household

# **By Scott McGillivray**

(NC) In these heady days of innovation, we don't necessarily need to hire someone to do the dirty work of a home renovation. Some of the household upgrades may be easier than you think.

Start by familiarizing yourself about the job at hand. There are many reliable self-help books and websites dedicated to giving you the best environmentally-friendly suggestions when it comes to doit-yourself home renovation projects.

These Top 5 Picks will improve your home, save you money, will give you the green life and are easy to do:

1. Cool down your house with a ceiling or electric fan and open up the windows at night. Ceiling fans cost about 1 cent for two hours of use, compared to 67 cents to a dollar for central air. Use your air conditioner only when necessary and be sure to turn it off when you're going to be away from home for long periods of time.

2. Check the tightness on your refrigerator seal by closing the

door on a piece of paper. If it's held in place, the seal is still good, if not, it's time to replace the seal or fix the door's alignment.

3. Invest in a programmable thermostat. It will automatically adjust the temperature in your house, saving you energy while you're away or sleeping.

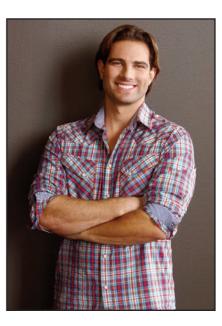
4. Pull out a caulking gun and weather strips and seal up doors, windows, electrical sockets and baseboards.

5. Insulate your walls, ceilings, piping

entrances, attics, and basements with a professional-quality, stone wool insulation product such as Roxul. Installing insulation saves you money and wastes less energy throughout your home in every season

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(NC) The forecast is calling for another bad winter, which means there will be lots of snow to remove from your driveway. Will you shovel it, blow it, or jump into a home plow? Decide with this overview:

Shoveling is great exercise, if done properly and by someone who is physically able and adequately prepared. On the other hand, it can also result in painful and even fatal consequences. Along with the obvious risk of pulled muscles, plus back and shoulder pain, shoveling can lead to heart attacks. That's because cold temperatures cause blood vessels in the heart to constrict, minimizing blood flow at a time when the heart is beating harder due to physical exertion.

Snow blowing gets us away from shoveling, but it is still hard work for people concerned with health risks. Although less strenuous than shoveling, the use of a snow blower (or snow thrower) still requires physical labour in cold, snowy conditions that can result in slips, falls or over-exposure.

Home plowing now is the latest trend. In recent years, manufacturers have made great strides in reducing the size and weight of snow plows so that they represent a viable, safe and convenient snow removal option for homeowners and small business owners.

A popular seller, for example, is the

HomePlow by Meyer. Known to be easy to install and operate, this plow weighs less than 113 kilograms, and it quickly mounts to almost any standard SUV, light pickup truck, or utility vehicle to allow even the longest driveways to be cleared in a matter of minutes. From a health and safety perspective, the HomePlow does its job with you inside the vehicle and sheltered from exposure to the cold, snow and ice.

A newer, more compact version called the HomePlow Basic has also arrived. Affectionately called the Plow-in-a-Box, it comes in an easy-to-transport carton that fits into an SUV or pick-up. The Basic offers a highly cost-effective alternative for snow removal with a model priced under \$2,000. Like the larger, pre-assembled and full-powered HomePlows, it offers a patented system called Auto-Angling. This controls the direction of the blade without need for any manual adjustment, automatically pushing snow off to the side. Once assembled, it can be connected or disconnected in less than a minute without the need for any tools.

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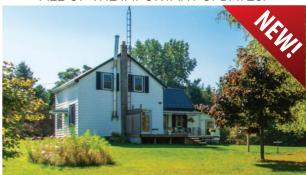
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(NC) Old Man Winter is learn your behaviour and just around the corner, bringing cold, frigid temperatures and a desire to stay in and stay warm. Heating costs make up a significant portion of household expenses, but there are ways to manage your energy use while still staying warm and cozy. Dave Walton, the director of home ideas at Direct Energy, shares five easy ways to improve energy efficiency this winter:

1. Lower the thermostat: Put on a sweater or extra blanket and lower your thermostat by two degrees Celsius to save up to four per cent on your heating bill. Consider replacing your old thermostat with a programmable one - some versions

adjust the temperature based on your living patterns.

2. Keep in the heat: Look into the attic and check to see if your current insulation needs to be topped up. Regardless of the type of insulation you have, there should be a minimum of 12 inches of insulation in your attic. Improving your home's insulation is one of the fastest and most cost effective ways to cut down on your heating costs.

3. Maintain your furnace: Most manufacturers recommend that you clean or replace furnace filters every three months. It's important to book a full inspection with a professional to maintain

your manufacturer's warranty and ensure your system is working safely and efficiently. Doing this should also help cut down on your energy consumption.

4. Use 'free' heat: Open curtains and blinds on sunny days to let the warmth in.

5. Seal it up: Check for air leaks around doors, windows and electrical outlets and use caulking or weather stripping to seal out the cold air. If you were to add up all the leaks in the average Canadian home, you would end with a hole about the size of a basketball.

Additional tips and ideas can be found at www.Daves-Corner.ca.

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# Quick tips to winterize your home

(NC) We know that Canadian winters can be tough on our homes - both inside and out. Here are some time-saving tips to stay ahead of the harsh weather from specialists on this topic at Home Depot Canada:

# **Prep the deck**

Cleaning the deck's surface, especially removing debris caught between deck boards, can save a lot of time come spring. Consider using a power washer and recommended cleaner to remove mold, mildew and grime. When the surface is clean again, seal it with a weatherproofing wood stain for lasting protection.

# **Keep a maintained** roof over your head

A well-maintained roof keeps the warm air in and cold air out. Being proactive now, with repairs and maintenance, will prevent larger issues in the spring months. Remember to check and examine if there are any leaks, ventilation issues, or insulation deficiencies.

# **Install door sweeps**

A door sweep takes care of air leaks at

the bottom of doors common in older homes. A door sweep is easy to install with a few simple screws. By applying weather stripping, you can save up to 20 per cent on heating and cooling bills.

# **Prep drains for winter**

Prepare for the winter run-off by adding a downspout extension to your current drainage system. Come spring, melting snow should be directed at least three to four feet away from your home's foundation. Make sure exterior faucets have been turned off. Any water left in the pipe could freeze, forcing expensive repairs for burst pipes.

# **Fall dust down**

Now is the time to thoroughly clean heating ducts, grills, registers and ceiling fans. Air filters should be replaced as least once every three months as they can become clogged, causing your system to work less efficiently and increasing operating costs.

More information plus tips and tricks for winterizing your home are available online at www.homedepot.ca.



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# Disaster-resilient homes start with concrete walls says Nudura

(NC) A home today must be more than just esthetically pleasing. The costs of fuel consumption and extreme-storm damage, plus costs in the way of carbon footprints, are making all of us insist on far more property benefits, including superior durability and resilience from pending disasters.

"In that case, open the door to a home built with concrete reinforced walls, instead of wood, and see how you will receive greater safety, comfort, investment value, and energy efficiency," says Todd Blyth at Nudura, a leading name in building technology. "Concrete is a major solution for weather extremes – and for more than a decade now, the building system using ICFs (insulated concrete forms) has proven to deliver the most durable building frame."

The ICF principle is simple, he says. Specifically, the walls are constructed with pre-assembled, interlocking units (similar to Lego), so they're easily transported to any building site. Each form consists of two panels of thick foam (expanded polystyrene) connected with a patented web system. Guided by the architectural

design and beauty aspects you request, the ICFs are stacked, steel reinforced, and filled with concrete until the entire building envelope is complete.

Here's a snapshot of additional building benefits:

Disaster-Resilient: ICF walls withstand winds of up to 402 kilometers per hour and give you a fire protection rating as much as 4 hours.

Energy Efficiency: Premium insulation delivers an energy-efficiency rating as high as R-50 due to the thermal mass of the concrete (compared to an average R20 in wood structures) and

that equates to reducing household energy bills up to 70 per cent. And if optional inserts are added to the ICF forms, this efficiency is improved even more.

Occupant Comfort: Outside cold can easily travel through the typical wood-framed wall, causing uneven temperatures inside your home. The monolithic ICF wall however, eliminates drafts and cold spots—and it is an effective sound barrier, filtering out unwanted noise.

Green Living: Concrete is a sustainable material; trees are not needed; the

system uses only recycled polymers and steel; the building process creates less waste than traditional methods; and the occupants use fewer fossil fuels for a much smaller carbon footprint.

Short- and Long-Term Value: A concrete home is built to last, and to retain its value longer. Immediately as well, the superior durability requires less maintenance, repair, and budget, as compared to wood structures.

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# Check your washer and dryer as a source of allergens

(NC) Do you ever find yourself sneezing, coughing and wheezing when the temperature drops? While many people look forward to a break from hot summer temperatures, the seasonal changes create breathing issues for many others.

Airborne particles can trigger symptoms such as coughing, wheezing and tightness in the chest. Known as "allergens" and "irritants," these particles exist both outside and inside your home. Here are a few tips to help you prep your living space this season from Valerie Malone, brand marketing manager of Home Appliances at LG Canada:

Shut your windows. The first step is to keep your windows closed. This will keep moisture levels between 40 and 50 per cent, which will limit dust mites and mold.

Keep it clean. It is important to keep on top of your vacuuming and dusting as there are many allergens that are already trapped inside your home, from pet

dander to dust mites. To remove these irritants, LG suggests their new line of washing machines with Steam Technology. Certified by the Asthma Society of Canada, these washers remove over 95 per cent of common household allergens. From fur-coated dog beds and dusty drapes to your favourite silk blouse, these washers can handle anything you throw in it and will have you breathing easier in the comfort of your own home.

Wash your linens once per week. You spend a lot of time in bed and your sheets are a hot spot for allergens. Washing your linens regularly helps reduce the accumulation of dust. Delicate bedding? No problem. This washer with Steam Technology is energy efficient and will not harm the fibres.

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# How to make fabulous fast food from fresh food

(NC) Fresh food has more flavour, more nutrition and more satisfaction than prepared, packaged options and the little extra time involved in prepping is eclipsed by the major payoff from eating well.

Former Bachelorette Jillian Harris is a designer, TV host, fresh food lover and the spokesperson for LG's Home Appliances. The Vancouver-based foodie loves cooking with tasty seasonal, fresh food options. Here she shares her tips on how to make fresh food a fast food:

Meal planning is the key to eating fresh. Take a look at the week ahead and think about what everyone feels like eating, look up some quick recipes, make your list and stock up on your fresh ingredients. After grocery shopping, set aside some time to do some basic food prep. Wash and chop fruits and veggies, marinate meats, do whatever you can ahead of time so meals

come together in a snap. Don't forget your fresh herbs which add a healthy dash of

In-season fruits and veggies pack more flavour, so make sure you're choosing in season, local foods. Buy as much as you will use during the week so nothing spoils. This can be tricky, but when selecting recipes, try picking ones that share some common ingredients so you can use up your fruits and veggies while they're still fresh.

Jillian points out that proper food storage can make a world of difference when making nutritious, flavourful meals. "Where you keep your food is very important - especially when you're cooking with fresh ingredients. We all know the standard storage procedures - potatoes in the cupboard, vegetables in the crisper, and so on. But did you know that the latest refrigeration

technology makes it even easier? Imagine two refrigerators in one. The LG Doorin-Door keeps food fresher longer thanks to the Smart Cooling Plus System and its unique third-door design, giving you quick access to the foods you use most. This type of divided refrigerator is the most innovative idea yet. When your schedule changes as much as mine does, it can be a real life-saver."

Make cooking a family affair. Nothing beats reconnecting with your family over the preparation of a meal. Throw on some music, grab a glass of wine and make dinner together. It's a great opportunity to work together, chat and teach your kids critical cooking and nutrition basics.

More tips and tricks can be found online at Jillian-Harris.com and LG.com.

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Tanya - She is 29 years old. She is 5'5" 118lbs with blonde hair and big beautiful brown eyes. She is bubbly, outgoing, and friendly. She loves camping, travelling, being outside, jet skiing, and boating She plays on a softball team and loves it Tanya works as a Retail Manager.

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November 13, 2014 at 1:00 a.m., Innisfil Town Hall, Community Rooms B&C

**Committee of Adjustment** 

November 13, 2014 at 1:30 p.m., Innisfil Town Hall, **Council Chambers** 

**Innisfil Accessibility Advisory Committee** 

November 18, 2014 at 1 p.m., Innisfil Town Hall, Community Rooms B&C

Meetings subject to change. Please visit the Town's website to view the most updated listing.

# **Employment Opportunities**

Financial Services Coordinator closes October 17, 2014 **Administrative Coordinator- Fire (part-time)** closes October 17, 2014

Please visit Employment Opportunities on the Town's website for more details.

# **Leaf and Yard Waste Collection**





To determine your yard waste collection week visit simcoe.ca/wastereminder or consult the waste management calendar. Place your materials at curbside by 7 a.m. on Monday of your collection week. Collection may not coincide with your garbage day.





 Utilize paper yard waste bags, cardboard boxes, open-ended rigid containers or compostable bags

County of Simcoe Customer Service 1-800-263-3199



# **Holiday Collection**

# Thanksgiving Holiday SIMCOE



There will be NO CHANGE to your garbage, organics, and recycling collection day. Have materials at the curb by 7 a.m. on your regular day to ensure collection.

WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES HOURS

All County waste management facilities will be CLOSED Monday, October 13, except Site 8 (Matchedash).

Does not apply to residents of Barrie and Orillia

For more information:

County of Simcoe Customer Service 1-800-263-3199



# **Declaration Forms**

## Your Signature Please!

Remember to sign your declaration when returning your mail-in ballot. Envelopes received without a signed declaration cannot be processed.

Call Town Hall at 705-436-3710 for assistance.





# **Voting Methods**



# **Election Help Centre Hours**

**Extended Hours to help you get** on the voters' list

Date	Time
Tuesday, October 14	4:30-7:30
Thursday, October 16	4:30-7:30
Tuesday, October 21	4:30-7:30
Thursday, October 23	4:30-7:30
Saturday, October 25	9:00-12:00

# Dog Park Now Open



# **Thanksgiving Holiday Notice**

Town of Innisfil offices will be closed on Monday, October 13 for Thanksgiving, and will re-open on Tuesday, October 14, for regular business hours.

# **Public Skating**

# **Public Skating Now** Available!

Go to www.innisfil.ca for times and fees of family, adult and senior skating.

# Innisfil

# **Library Employment Opportunity**

# **One Year Maternity Leave Contract**

Full Time Hours (35 hrs. per week) **Employment Opportunity** Librarian - Children's Services -**Innisfil Public Library** 

Closes: Monday, October 13, 2014. www.innisfil.library.on.ca

# Thank You for a Great Season



Thank you for a successful 2014 season!

We look forward to seeing you next year.

# **Bulky Collection**

# Call-In Bulky Collection



Call to schedule an appointment for bulky collection, available June through September.

- · \$35 per scheduled collection (payment required at time of booking)
- · Maximum 5 items (must be identified at time of booking)
- · Wide range of materials accepted
- · Material must be placed at curb by 7 a.m. on your scheduled collection day. Does not apply to residents of Barrie or Orillia





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